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The style of laws. Const. 57.
The solemnity of signing and sealing acts of assembly, and directions given for recording, printing, certifying, and publishing them. Const. 60.

#### LAW, MARTIAL.

None subject to it, except the army, navy, and the militia when in actual service. Decl. 29.

## LEGISLATURE.

The places of its meeting ought to be fixed. Decl. 9. To be frequently convened. Decl. 10.

Freedom of speech therein preserved. Decl. 8.

May be petitioned by any person. Decl. 11.

Has the sole power of imposing taxes. Decl. 12.

Consists of two branches. Const. 1.

The time of its annual meeting. Const. 23.

The time and place of its first meeting prescribed. Const. 61.

To appoint all officers of the government at that meeting. Ibid.

Its members compellable by a temporary provision to attend their duty. March, 1780, ch. 4.

LEONARD-TOWN, St. Mary's county.

Swine and geese, not to be raised. November, 1782, ch. 4.

LIGHT-HOUSE.

Directed to be built on Cape Henry by a law which the revolution hath rendered a dead letter. November, 1773, ch. 29.

# LIMITATION OF ACTIONS.

Defendant shall not avail himself of his own absence at the time of the action accruing. November, 1765, ch. 12.

From July 26, 1775, to July 1, 1777, the time is not to be reckoned so as to give operation to any act of limitation against any action whatsoever. February, 1777, ch. 15, sec. 7.

Nor the time from the latter period until the passage of this act, so as to bar any debt. October, 1780, ch. 5,

Where one of the parties in a cause referred dies before award, or an arbitrator dies or refuses to act, or the
award be set aside, the time from commencing the action,
until such death, resusal, or setting aside, shall not be
reckoned. June, 1778, ch. 21, sec. 10.

# LITERARY PROPERTY:

Secured by an act to take place conditionally. April, 1783, ch. 34.

# LOANS, PRIVATE.

Private persons may mortgage to aliens for money lent. 1784, ch. 58.

# LOANS, PUBLIC.

Loans in paper money, tohacco and specie, on which certificates islued. June, 1780, chr. 2.

Loans directed to be procured on confiscated property. October, 1780, ch. 51.

LOWER-MARLBOROUGH ACADEMY.

Instituted. October, 1778, Ch. 16.

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# MAGAZINES: --

PROTECTED by a law making it a capital crime to destroy them. October, 1777, ch. 1.

Regulated and restrained. February, 1777, ch. 12. MILITIA.

The proper desence of the state. Decl. 25. MILLS.

Part of the act of 1704, ch. 16, respecting watermills, repealed. November, 1766, ch. 10.

#### METHODISTS.

Nonjurors of that feet permitted to preach the gospel. November, 1782, ch. 13.

### MISDEMEANORS.

Punishable by house of delegates. Const. 10. An act for the punishment of crimes and misdemeanors. February, 1777, ch. 20.

#### MONEY.

Current money regulated. November, 1781, ch. 16. MONOPOLY.

Not to be permitted. Decl. 39.

# MONTGOMERY COUNTY.

Created by the division of Frederick county into three parts. See the resolve of the convention for that purpose. September 6, 1776.

Provisions for collecting the levy. June, 1777, ch. 2. Court directed to levy money to defray the expence of dividing Frederick county. November, 1779, ch. 19. Court adjourned. October, 1780, ch. 2.

Money to be raised for building a court-house and a prison. 1784, ch. 178575

## MORTGAGES.

To secure money lent by foreigners. 1784, chr 58.

The act of 1748, ch. 1, continued for leven years by the act of October, 1789, ch. 12. November, 1765, ch. 24.

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# NANTICOKE.

A COMPENSATION granted to the Indians for their Nanticoke lands. 1768, ch. 7.

## NATURALIZATION.

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A general provision. July, 1779, ch. 6.

# NAVAL OFFICES.

Registers to be granted. October, 1780, ch. 28.

A supplement to that act. April, 1782, ch. 12.

Registers changed. April, 1783, ch. 1.

Tunnage to be ascertained. November, 1783, ch. 25. A duty laid on British bottoms. November, 1783, ch. 20.

Commerce regulated. November, 1783; ch. 36.
Commerce regulated, naval officers directed, and the conduct of masters and mariners regulated. 1784, ch. 70.

## NAVIGATION.

Our delegates in congress empowered to agree to a navigation act. Novembet, 1782, ch. 29, sec. 5.

The conduct of masters and mariners regulated. 1784, ch. 79.
Ship-building encouraged, -1784, ch. 84, sec. 16, 17.

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Charges of profecuting them to be defrayed by the refpective counties. May, 1706, ch. 6. The act of 1735, ch. 6, respecting a duty on the

The act of 1735, Ch. 6, respecting a duty on the importation of negroes, and the act of 1751, ch. 14, for their more effectual punishment, and for preventing their turnultuous meetings and other irregularities, are both continued for twenty-one years by the act of June, 1773, ch. 2. November, 1765, ch. 17, 18.

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The bringing of flaves into the state restrained, and manumitted slaves declared not to be entitled to suffrage at elections. April, 1783, ch. 23.

## NICOLITES.

Privileged from oaths. November, 1783, ch. 18. NOBILITY.

No title to be allowed in this state. Decl. 40.